## STATE OF INDIANA

## KNOX CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR 1 AND SUPERIOR 2 COURTS

42C01-2204-CB- 031

In the Matter of CELLULAR PHONES

Case No.

42D01-2204-CB- 032

AND ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN COURTROOMS

42D02-2204-CB- 033

## **ORDER**

The Knox County Courts hereby determine and give notice that the following order is appropriate and necessary to the safety and security of our Courtrooms as well as to maintain the orderly administration of justice. Therefore, in compliance with the Indiana Code of Judicial Conduct, Rule 2.17, the Knox Circuit Court, Knox Superior Court 1, Knox Superior Court 2, and Magistrate Court ORDERS that cellular phones, electronic tablets, personal digital assistants, smart watches, and all other electronic devices capable of audio or video recording be prohibited in the Knox County Courtrooms.

Rule 2.17 of the Indiana Code of Judicial Conduct prohibits the broadcasting, televising, recording, or taking of photographs in all courtrooms and areas immediately adjacent thereto during session of court or recesses between sessions. Any distribution of such recordings, including posting the audio or video recording on any social media platform, shall not occur without the Court's permission.

All Attorneys or Law Enforcement Officers on official business are exempted from this Order. The Knox County Circuit Court, Superior Court 1, Superior Court 2, and Magistrate Court reserve the right to grant exceptions to this rule on a case-by-case basis.

Consequences for violation of this order are discretionary and may include a finding of contempt of Court. Any law enforcement officer and/or Court staff member may assist in enforcing this Order.

Dated this 19th day of April, 2022.

Hon. Sherry Gregg-Gilmore, Judge

Knox Circuit Court

Hon. Brian Johnson Judge

Knox Superior Court 2

Hon, Gara U. Lee, Judge

Knox Superjor Court 1

Hon. Shawna D. Webster, Magistrate

Knox County Magistrate Court